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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director
The Deputy Director

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Drug Bill. On 3 October, the Senate bipartisan omnibus, anti-drug bill was introduced. The bill has a drug czar provision giving the czar Cabinet rank and making him a member of the National Security Council. The Agency and other agencies in the Intelligence Community are denominated as "National Drug Control Program (A)gencies," thereby bringing them within the bill's scope. The bill, however, does contain provisions protecting intelligence information passed to the czar and language in the accompanying report protecting Community budget equities otherwise falling in the czar's ambit.

The bill abolishes the Drug Policy Board. On the other hand, there is a five year "sunset" provision for the czar himself. The bill also contains a provision that could lead to GAO access to sensitive DS&T programs. We are working with the Administration and Senate leadership to modify it. The Senate bill does not contain the Alexander "Anti-Stonewalling Act" amendment in either its original or modified form.

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